

Recidivism Rates* within One, Two and Three Year Follow-up Periods for All Felon Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2001¹ By Principal Commitment Offense							
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled ⁵	Returned to Prison Within: ²					
		One Year		Two Years ³		Three Years ⁴	
		Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number	Percent ⁶
Murder First (old law)	0						
Murder First (new law)	1						
Murder Second (old law)	0	0		0		0	
Murder Second (new law)	3	0		0		0	
Manslaughter	374	89	23.80%	135	36.10%	159	42.51%
Vehicular Manslaughter	120	20	16.67%	36	30.00%	42	35.00%
Robbery	2,969	1,204	40.55%	1,682	56.65%	1,872	63.05%
Assault/Deadly WP	2,519	1,005	39.90%	1,342	53.28%	1,471	58.40%
Attempted Murder First	4	1		1		1	
Attempted Murder Second	197	48	24.37%	74	37.56%	88	44.67%
Other Assault/Battery	3,522	1,511	42.90%	2,024	57.47%	2,223	63.12%
Rape	246	73	29.67%	97	39.43%	111	45.12%
Lewd Act With Child	988	227	22.98%	304	30.77%	343	34.72%
Oral Copulation	100	37	37.00%	51	51.00%	56	56.00%
Sodomy	33	6	18.18%	9	27.27%	10	30.30%
Sexual Penetration with Object	53	11	20.75%	15	28.30%	18	33.96%
Other Sex	883	425	48.13%	532	60.25%	582	65.91%
Kidnapping	153	38	24.84%	61	39.87%	70	45.75%
Burglary First	1,862	835	44.84%	1,106	59.40%	1,202	64.55%
Burglary Second	3,130	1,520	48.56%	1,957	62.52%	2,072	66.20%
Grand Theft	1,567	644	41.10%	811	51.75%	871	55.58%
Petty Theft With Prior	3,289	1,687	51.29%	2,125	64.61%	2,263	68.81%
Receiving Stolen Property	1,547	817	52.81%	1,013	65.48%	1,067	68.97%
Vehicle Theft	2,391	1,360	56.88%	1,663	69.55%	1,749	73.15%
Forgery/Fraud	1,357	484	35.67%	649	47.83%	700	51.58%
Other Property	303	126	41.58%	162	53.47%	172	56.77%
CS Possession	11,490	5,460	47.52%	7,060	61.44%	7,611	66.24%
CS Possession for Sale	5,947	1,790	30.10%	2,482	41.74%	2,730	45.91%
CS Sales	2,179	633	29.05%	855	39.24%	947	43.46%
CS Manufacturing	1,402	293	20.90%	445	31.74%	502	35.81%
CS Other	326	148	45.40%	192	58.90%	204	62.58%
Hashish Possession	26	6	23.08%	11	42.31%	12	46.15%
Marijuana Possession for Sale	681	221	32.45%	302	44.35%	338	49.63%
Marijuana Sale	316	108	34.18%	146	46.20%	157	49.68%
Marijuana Other	89	22	24.72%	32	35.96%	40	44.94%
Escape	70	33	47.14%	43	61.43%	44	62.86%
Driving Under Influence	1,594	405	25.41%	611	38.33%	687	43.10%
Arson	151	49	32.45%	69	45.70%	76	50.33%
Possession Weapon	1,910	920	48.17%	1,220	63.87%	1,335	69.90%
Other Offenses	1,528	634	41.49%	849	55.56%	921	60.27%
TOTAL	55,320	22,890	41.38%	30,166	54.53%	32,746	59.19%
[*] See back page for definitions and formula ¹ First releases to parole include those paroled for the first time from prison on a new admission to prison and parolled for the first time following return to prison with a new court commitment. Returns to prison on new court commitments following discharge on this parole are not included. ² Returns to prison on new court commitments following discharge on this parole are not included. ³ Returns within two years include returns within one year. ⁴ Returns within three years include returns within one and two years. ⁵ Numbers may have changed from prior version of report based on updated data. ⁶ Percentages not computed for less than 20 releases to parole.							

Recidivism Rates* within One, Two and Three Year Follow-up Periods for Female Felons Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2001¹ By Principal Commitment Offense							
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled ⁵	Returned to Prison Within: ²					
		One Year		Two Years ³		Three Years ⁴	
		Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number	Percent ⁶
Murder First (old law)	0						
Murder First (new law)	1						
Murder Second (old law)	0	0		0		0	
Murder Second (new law)	0	0		0		0	
Manslaughter	32	4	12.50%	5	15.63%	7	21.88%
Vehicular Manslaughter	14	1		3		4	
Robbery	162	48	29.63%	77	47.53%	95	58.64%
Assault/Deadly WP	149	46	30.87%	61	40.94%	71	47.65%
Attempted Murder First	0	0		0		0	
Attempted Murder Second	4	0		0		0	
Other Assault/Battery	156	45	28.85%	63	40.38%	76	48.72%
Rape	1	1		1		1	
Lewd Act With Child	10	3		3		3	
Oral Copulation	0	0		0		0	
Sodomy	0	0		0		0	
Sexual Penetration With Object	0	0		0		0	
Other Sex	19	4		6		6	
Kidnapping	7	2		3		4	
Burglary First	119	41	34.45%	57	47.90%	65	54.62%
Burglary Second	364	110	30.22%	158	43.41%	177	48.63%
Grand Theft	248	57	22.98%	80	32.26%	86	34.68%
Petty Theft With Prior	638	227	35.58%	315	49.37%	357	55.96%
Receiving Stolen Property	153	70	45.75%	86	56.21%	92	60.13%
Vehicle Theft	138	55	39.86%	80	57.97%	84	60.87%
Forgery/Fraud	432	121	28.01%	161	37.27%	184	42.59%
Other Property	63	20	31.75%	30	47.62%	32	50.79%
CS Possession	1,819	648	35.62%	888	48.82%	998	54.87%
CS Possession for Sale	717	147	20.50%	219	30.54%	255	35.56%
CS Sales	225	56	24.89%	81	36.00%	89	39.56%
CS Manufacturing	132	22	16.67%	34	25.76%	38	28.79%
CS Other	77	23	29.87%	33	42.86%	35	45.45%
Hashish Possession	0	0		0		0	
Marijuana Possession for Sale	32	7	21.88%	9	28.13%	10	31.25%
Marijuana Sale	18	4		4		5	
Marijuana Other	4	2		2		2	
Escape	10	4		6		7	
Driving Under Influence	82	14	17.07%	25	30.49%	28	34.15%
Arson	20	1	5.00%	1	5.00%	1	5.00%
Possession Weapon	49	19	38.78%	24	48.98%	26	53.06%
Other Offenses	154	55	35.71%	73	47.40%	78	50.65%
TOTAL	6,049	1,857	30.70%	2,588	42.78%	2,916	48.21%
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Recidivism Rates* within One, Two and Three Year Follow-up Periods for Male Felons Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2001¹ By Principal Commitment Offense							
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled ⁵	Returned to Prison Within: ²					
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		Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number ⁵	Percent ⁶	Number	Percent ⁶
Murder First (old law)	0						
Murder First (new law)	0						
Murder Second (old law)	0	0		0		0	
Murder Second (new law)	3	0		0		0	
Manslaughter	342	85	24.85%	130	38.01%	152	44.44%
Vehicular Manslaughter	106	19	17.92%	33	31.13%	38	35.85%
Robbery	2,807	1,156	41.18%	1,605	57.18%	1,777	63.31%
Assault/Deadly WP	2,370	959	40.46%	1,281	54.05%	1,400	59.07%
Attempted Murder First	4	1		1		1	
Attempted Murder Second	193	48	24.87%	74	38.34%	88	45.60%
Other Assault/Battery	3,366	1,466	43.55%	1,961	58.26%	2,147	63.78%
Rape	245	72	29.39%	96	39.18%	110	44.90%
Lewd Act With Child	978	224	22.90%	301	30.78%	340	34.76%
Oral Copulation	100	37	37.00%	51	51.00%	56	56.00%
Sodomy	33	6	18.18%	9	27.27%	10	30.30%
Sexual Penetration with Object	53	11	20.75%	15	28.30%	18	33.96%
Other Sex	864	421	48.73%	526	60.88%	576	66.67%
Kidnapping	146	36	24.66%	58	39.73%	66	45.21%
Burglary First	1,743	794	45.55%	1,049	60.18%	1,137	65.23%
Burglary Second	2,766	1,410	50.98%	1,799	65.04%	1,895	68.51%
Grand Theft	1,319	587	44.50%	731	55.42%	785	59.51%
Petty Theft With Prior	2,651	1,460	55.07%	1,810	68.28%	1,906	71.90%
Receiving Stolen Property	1,394	747	53.59%	927	66.50%	975	69.94%
Vehicle Theft	2,253	1,305	57.92%	1,583	70.26%	1,665	73.90%
Forgery/Fraud	925	363	39.24%	488	52.76%	516	55.78%
Other Property	240	106	44.17%	132	55.00%	140	58.33%
CS Possession	9,671	4,812	49.76%	6,172	63.82%	6,613	68.38%
CS Possession for Sale	5,230	1,643	31.41%	2,263	43.27%	2,475	47.32%
CS Sales	1,954	577	29.53%	774	39.61%	858	43.91%
CS Manufacturing	1,270	271	21.34%	411	32.36%	464	36.54%
CS Other	249	125	50.20%	159	63.86%	169	67.87%
Hashish Possession	26	6	23.08%	11	42.31%	12	46.15%
Marijuana Possession for Sale	649	214	32.97%	293	45.15%	328	50.54%
Marijuana Sale	298	104	34.90%	142	47.65%	152	51.01%
Marijuana Other	85	20	23.53%	30	35.29%	38	44.71%
Escape	60	29	48.33%	37	61.67%	37	61.67%
Driving Under Influence	1,512	391	25.86%	586	38.76%	659	43.58%
Arson	131	48	36.64%	68	51.91%	75	57.25%
Possession Weapon	1,861	901	48.41%	1,196	64.27%	1,309	70.34%
Other Offenses	1,374	579	42.14%	776	56.48%	843	61.35%
TOTAL	49,271	21,033	42.69%	27,578	55.97%	29,830	60.54%
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DEFINITIONS AND FORMULA

Recidivist: A felon who returns to prison for any reason during a specified follow-up period.

Return to prison: Includes felons who are returned to Substance-Abuse Treatment-Control Units in correctional facilities; returned pending a revocation hearing by the Board of Prison Terms on charges of violating the conditions of parole; returned to custody for parole violations to serve revocation time; or returned to prison by a court for a new felony conviction.

Release period: A calendar year.

First release to parole: The first release to parole for felon with new admissions and parole violators returned with a new term (PV-WNT).

Recidivism rate: The ratio of the number of recidivists to the number of felons at risk of recidivating during a particular period.

$$\text{Recidivism Rate}_{(\text{observation period})} = \frac{\# \text{ of recidivists}_{(\text{observation period})}}{\# \text{ of felons at risk of recidivating}}$$

For example:

$$\text{Recidivism Rate (during year xxxx)} = \frac{26,092}{60,179} \times 100 = 43.35\%$$

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